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Applicant has not received an Examiner's Answer in regards to the Appeal Brief filed on 4 February 2005. USPTO Internet records show Examiner received the Brief on 11 February 2005. Our understanding is that an Examiner has two months from the date of receiving an appeal brief to file an Examiner's Answer. [MPEP §1208]. Since that time has expired without an Examiner's Answer, we further understand that the appeal is now proceeding to the Appeal Board *without* an Examiner's Answer. Please correct us if we are mistaken in our understandings.

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